



2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST and COMMEMORATION of the EMANUEL 9, MARTYRS, 2015

June 14, 2020



Welcome to Bethel Lutheran Church

We are glad you are here with us via Zoom and we pray God will be real to you as you worship. Bethel is a Reconciling in Christ congregation. Knowing God loves all creation and holds us all, we welcome you. We welcome everyone and honor the rich diversity and giftedness that age, sexual orientation, race, belief, emotional and physical health, gender identity, marital status and station in life bring to the Bethel family and our relationships.

Notes on Communion

We will celebrate Holy Communion together via zoom -- a temporary practice during this time of forced social distancing. Please have bread/cracker(s) and a cup of wine/grape juice ready, if you and those with you would like to participate. If you do not have access to wine/grape juice, you may receive Communion without the cup – Christ is present in the bread, as Jesus said, “I am the bread of Life.

Notes on the “Emanuel 9”, 5th Anniversary

This Wednesday marks the 5th Anniversary of the tragic events at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, SC—one of the oldest black churches in the United States, founded in 1816, and fondly called “Mother Emanuel”. Nine people were shot and killed during a Bible Study by a self-proclaimed white supremacist, who had been welcomed and initially joined the prayer group. At the 2019 Church-wide Assembly, the ELCA adopted a resolution to observe an annual commemoration of the martyrdom of the “Emanuel 9” on the Sunday closest to June 17th. Two of the slain, Senior Pastor Clementa Pinckney (also a State Senator) and Pastor Daniel Simmons, were graduates of the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, and the shooter was on the rolls of a local Lutheran Church but had not attended for some time. Thus, reminding us of both our complicity and our calling. We confess we are in bondage to the sin of racism and we rejoice that we are set free in Christ, who “has broken down the dividing wall of hostility between us.” (Eph. 2:14) God guide us as we seek repentance and renewal, justice and reconciliation among all God’s precious children.



GATHERING

A Litany of Remembrance and Repentance

(a bell is rung 10 times—once for each of the slain and once for the survivors)

We join with Mother Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in remembering the slain nine: the Rev. Clementa C. Pinckney, the Rev. Daniel Lee Simmons, Cynthia Marie Graham Hurd, The Rev. Sharonda Coleman-Singleton, the Rev. Myra Singleton Quarles Thompson, Tywanza Kibwe Diop Sanders, the Rev. DePayne Middleton-Doctor, Susie Jackson, and Ethel Lee Lance; and those who survived.

We remember.

We remember that they lovingly welcomed the stranger into a Bible study—they sang, they prayed, they gathered to study the Word of God.

We remember.

We pray for the continual presence of God's peace; may it comfort, heal and surround the families of the nine who were slain—and those who survived.

We remember.

We pray for the African Methodist Episcopal Church, its Senior Bishop and episcopal leaders, pastors, the community of Charleston, and all who continue to grieve—trusting that God will continue to unite us in the work to end racism and white supremacy, so that we may be witnesses to the unity that is ours in Christ.

We remember.

We call our nation—including ourselves—to remember and confront its history of racial injustice. We must not forget the crimes committed against humanity in the name of Christ: the theft of land from and genocide of indigenous peoples and the enslavement of black bodies that built this nation.

We remember.

We remember the unarmed innocent black lives most recently lost at the hands of police officers: Ahmaud Arbery, Breona Taylor, George Floyd, and many others known and unknown.

We remember.

As we remember, Living God,

May we be re-membered—re-made--as your Body, connected to one another and empowered for the work you call us to do in the name of Jesus and by the power of your renewing Spirit.

Save us, O God,

from ourselves,

from forms of racism cloaked in pious words,

from apologies when they don't give way to action,

from forgiveness without facing the truth.

Deliver us, O God,

from expecting our brothers and sisters of color to bear the pain of racial injustice without doing the emotional work that is ours to do, without listening to the pain of people of color, and without our repentance and seeking right-relationships.

Grateful for the long arc that bends toward justice,

we repent and we pray: grant us wisdom and give us courage for the facing of these days; by your grace, by the power of your Spirit, and for the sake of the kin-dom we share in Christ Jesus. Amen.!





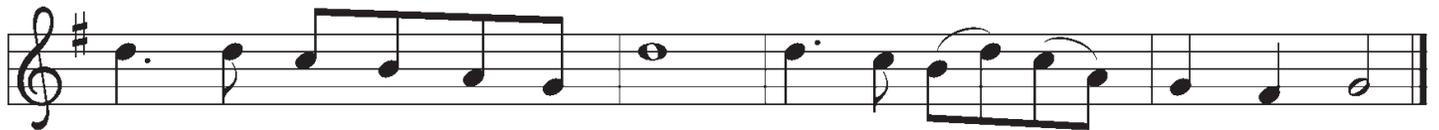
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.



Hymn

The Times, They are a Changin', Bob Dylan

Sung by Ryan Burghard, Robin on ukulele

Come gather 'round, people
Wherever you roam
And admit that the waters
Around you have grown
And accept it that soon
You'll be drenched to the bone
If your time to you is worth savin'
And you better start swimmin'
Or you'll sink like a stone
For the times they are a-changin'

Come writers and critics
Who prophesize with your pen
And keep your eyes wide
The chance won't come again
And don't speak too soon
For the wheel's still in spin
And there's no tellin' who
That it's namin'
For the loser now
Will be later to win
For the times they are a-changin'

Come senators, congressmen
Please heed the call
Don't stand in the doorway
Don't block up the hall
For he that gets hurt
Will be he who has stalled
The battle outside ragin'
Will soon shake your windows
And rattle your walls
For the times they are a-changin'

Come mothers and fathers
Throughout the land
And don't criticize
What you can't understand
Your sons and your daughters
Are beyond your command
Your old road is rapidly agin'
Please get out of the new one
If you can't lend your hand For the times they are a-changin'

The line it is drawn
The curse it is cast
The slow one now
Will later be fast
As the present now
Will later be past
The order is rapidly fadin'
And the first one now
Will later be last For the times they are a-changin'

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together:

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the plenty of your grace and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Servant, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

WORD

Reading

Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



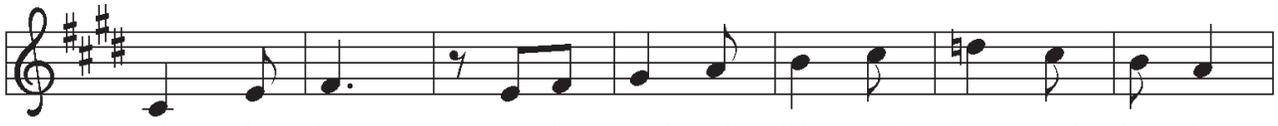
Gospel Hymn

Now the Feast and Celebration

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

Refrain



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

Refrain



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

Refrain

Reading

Matthew 9:35 - 10:8

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

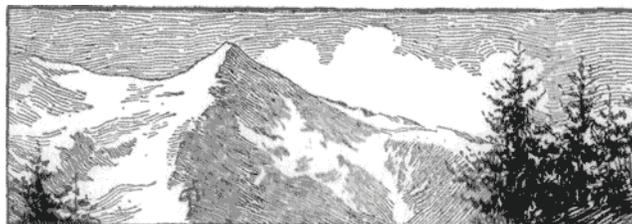
"See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes."]

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Children's Time

Sermon



Hymn

Will You Come and Follow Me, verses 1, 2 & 3



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

Prayers of Intercession

The response to each prayer will be: Hear us, O Lord.

Your mercy is great!

Sharing the Peace

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy and peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always

And also with you.

Offering Music

Offering

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COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer

The pastor will guide you when to take the bread & cup and eat & drink

Holy God, Mighty Wind, Gentle Presence:

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and on these gifts of bread and fruit of the vine.

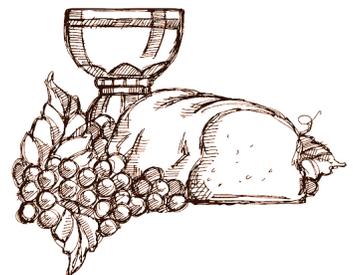
Bless this meal and breathe new life into us.

Come, Holy Spirit.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to disciples, saying, Take and eat; this is my body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, and gave thanks; and gave it for all to drink, saying, This cup is the new covenant in my blood, poured out for you and for all people, that sins may be forgiven. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer,

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**



Sharing the Bread and Cup

SENDING

Announcements

Sending Hymn

May the Lord bless and keep you
May His face shine up you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

The Blessing

Blessing

The Lord of the Harvest:
who waters the earth (+); warms it with the sun; and makes the seed to grow;
bless you and keep you, that your labors may bear much fruit.

Amen.

Go in the power the Spirit. Heal what is broken, raise up what has been devalued, cast down the strongholds of evil. You received without payment; give without payment!

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

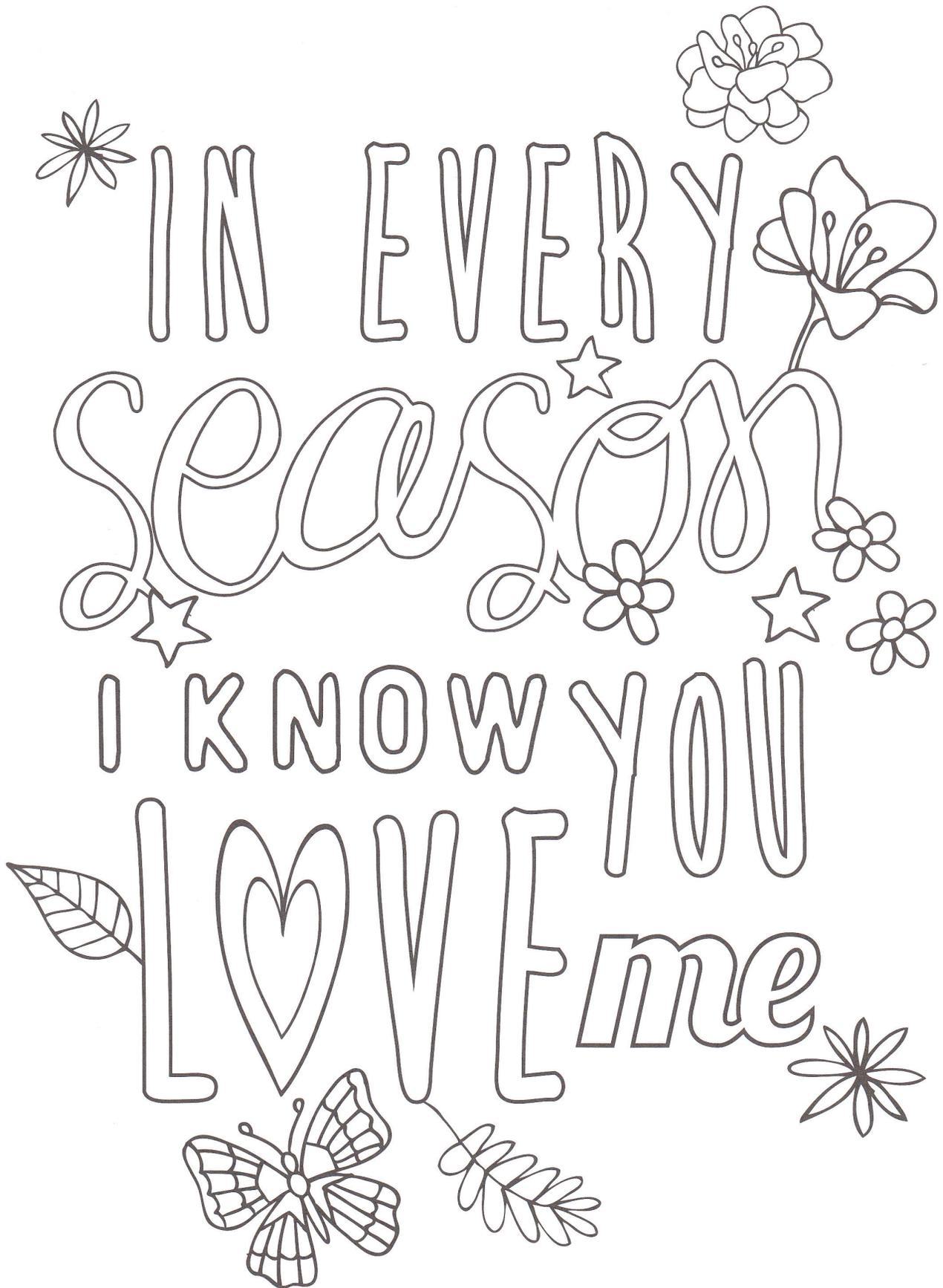
Woke UP This Mornin', Trad. Spiritual



Prayer Requested For:	Prayer Concern:	Prayer Contact:
For the world	Prayers for assurance of God's love and healing as we work together during this global pandemic.	Staff
For all who have lost their jobs	Prayers of strength and counsel as many cope with job losses during this global trial.	Staff
For the People of Bethel Lutheran	May the wisdom and counsel of the Holy Spirit abide within the people of Bethel during this time of change and transition.	Staff
Katie Reitel & Family	Prayers for peace & assurance of God's love.	The Bentleys
Faith St. John	Healing and support as she undergoes treatment for cancer.	Staff
Jennifer Nevills, former YDIC director	Struggling with heart disease.	Karen Anderson
David Gyles	Continued prayers for David and Sandy as David continues to struggle with his lung problems	Bethel Care Team
Joan Barber	Peace and comfort and freedom from discomfort as she begins palliative care.	Pastor Core
Marlo & JulieAnn Edman	Continued prayers for Marlo as he gains strength and mobility . Prayers for patience, strength and endurance for JulieAnn.	JulieAnn Edman
The Griffin Family	Prayers for, the Griffin family, their son Harry, is hospitalized and is receiving chemotherapy cancer.	Tana & Scott Burris
Lorien Tersey	Continued prayers for our daughter Lorien as she copes with her business and all the details and emotions surrounding the death of her husband Dale.	JulieAnn Edman
Dwight Edman	Prayers for Marlo's brother, Dwight, as he is in the hospital with Covid-19. At this time he seems to be doing well.	JulieAnn Edman
Yvonne Edman	Prayers for Dwight's wife, Yvonne, who had major surgery and is recovery in a nursing home.	JulieAnn Edman
Ray Bard	Prayers of healing for Ray Bard after his emergency appendectomy 5/28.	Staff
Laurie Ross (FOB & Bethel Player)	Prayers of healing for Laurie Ross who broke her foot & ankle on 6/6. She's home recovering & may need surgery	Svea Erickson
Our prayers continue for many among us: for Timothy Collins, Elizabeth, Rob, Jacob Bard, Miles Bard, Annalu Ling nau, Ben Ling nau III, David Ling nau, Patricia Connor.		



Stewardship of Service	Today - June 14 Virtual	Next Week- June 21 Virtual
Ministers	All Baptized Members of Bethel	All Baptized Members of Bethel
Pastor	Pastor Scott Dunfee	Pastor Scott Dunfee
Music Director	Dr. Kathleen Hollingsworth	Dr. Kathleen Hollingsworth
Musician		Laura Cunard



Psalm 143:8